

and wish them luck in all their future endeavors.

RECOGNITION OF DR. MANUEL
CEREIJO

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to recognize a truly remarkable member of the Florida community, Dr. Manuel Cereijo. A proven leader in the fields of science, engineering, education and technology, Dr. Cereijo was previously acknowledged in 1991 for his Lifetime Achievement Award by the Hispanic Engineer National Achievement committee and his exceptional dedication to the advancement of his profession and students.

Dr. Cereijo currently serves as President of the Professional Advancement Corporation and Lecturer of Engineering at the University of Miami, while simultaneously presiding as member of the Board of Directors on several prominent business, research, and engineering organizations in the Miami area.

Dr. Cereijo has furthermore received several reputable awards such as the Faculty Teaching Award at Florida International University in 1999 and his induction into the Hall of Fame of the National Association of Hispanic Engineers in 1998.

Dr. Manuel Cereijo consistently employs his expertise through means beneficial to his colleagues and students and is an outstanding representative of the state of Florida. It is my honor to recognize him and thank Dr. Cereijo for his incredible service and dedication.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ANN
RUDOLPH

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a very special resident of the 23rd Congressional District, Ann Rudolph, as she retires from Hollister School. As Office Manager, Ann has touched the lives of countless Hollister School students, parents and faculty over the past 18 years.

One of the Principals who worked with Ann described her as the centerpiece of the school. Her caring nature and generosity extended well past her job description as she corralled stray dogs, helped paint office walls and provided after-school academic assistance to students in need. In addition to providing countless hours of her time to school projects and to helping each student succeed, Ann assisted in jog-a-thons, created a scholarship fund for sixth grade science camp and contributed to the school band. Ann provided for the Hollister School community as if each child were her own. She valued every individual, working with parents and teachers to make each student's experience at Hollister the best it could be.

When talking about Ann to students, one might hear a story of Ann waiting until late

afternoon with a student until her parents arrived, or inviting a child to her home for after school tutoring. In addition to her extensive work with the students, Ann also assisted members of the Santa Barbara community by washing all of the school's unclaimed "lost and found" clothes so that they could be given to needy families.

Ann Rudolph has served the Hollister School community in so many ways over her 18 years of employment. She has touched the lives of many and will be missed by each parent, teacher and student who had the privilege of knowing her. Dedicated and devoted people like Ann are what make our community so special. I wish Ann the best as she begins retirement and thank her for all that she has done.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING
JOHN THOMAS O'ROURKE, JR.

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, John and Carolyn O'Rourke are celebrating the arrival of their son, John Thomas O'Rourke Jr.; and

Whereas, John Thomas O'Rourke, Jr. was born in the second day of April, 2004 and weighed seven pounds and twelve and a half ounces; and

Whereas, John and Carolyn O'Rourke are proud to welcome their new son into their home; and

Whereas, John Thomas O'Rourke, Jr. will be a blessed addition to his family, bringing love, joy, and happiness for many years to come;

Therefore, I join with members of Congress and Congressional Staff in celebrating with John and Carolyn O'Rourke and wishing John Thomas O'Rourke, Jr. a very Happy Birthday.

BACK TO WORK INCENTIVE ACT
OF 2003

SPEECH OF

HON. JOE BACA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 3, 2004

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to H.R. 444. H.R. 444 authorizes a pilot program to allow unemployed workers to receive job-training vouchers.

Unfortunately, the bill does not even fund the voucher program. The funding must come from existing job-training programs. These vouchers could be as small as \$500 and as large as \$3000. Voucher recipients could purchase job-training and child-care services, or use the funds to cover some transportation expenses. However, job-training services would no longer be free, but would have to be purchased for a one-year period.

We are stealing Peter's training money to give Paul a voucher. Tell me how this improves job training in our country? This is not the solution for the millions of Americans that don't have a job and can't put food on the table. The White House and Republican Con-

gress have failed to create jobs. They have failed to respond in thoughtful way to the needs of the American workers or the basic needs of our sluggish economy. Where is the compassion in the White House's conservatism for the 1.5 million Americans that have exhausted their unemployment benefits?

H.R. 444 is a misguided response to the great needs of our country. We need more jobs, not to privatize the job training. Millions need to put food on the table with their unemployment checks, not a tax cut that rewards corporations that move jobs overseas. I have had enough of nonsense legislation from this White House and Republican Congress. I will not vote for a bill that will result in cuts to the very job-training that will help people get a job.

In sum, this bill siphons money away from job training programs, limits people's access to that training, and does not even fund the pilot project. The motivation for this bill must have been, "why help people, when you can just pretend."

I urge my colleagues to reject this ineffective and purely cosmetic bill.

HONORING THE LATE ROGER
PELTYN

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember Roger Peltyn, who passed away suddenly last Thursday at the age of 60. Roger Peltyn helped build the modern Las Vegas that has become one of the wonders of the world, and will be remembered by all who knew him, and admired by everyone who sees the marvelous buildings he created.

Roger Peltyn was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1944 and moved to Las Vegas to work as a structural engineer at the Golden Nugget. From this work Roger Peltyn's genius was recognized, and he went on to serve as an engineer at the Bellagio, Mirage, Venetian and many other world class resorts in Las Vegas. Roger Peltyn was also a major contributor to our community in other ways, and helped raise more than \$4 million for various charities.

Thanks to Roger Peltyn, the Las Vegas skyline has become one of the great symbols of America, whose beauty, strength, and success are reminders of everything our nation stands for. I urge the House to join with me in honoring Roger Peltyn and extending our condolences to his wife Sandy and his two sons on his untimely passing.

HONORING THE NCAA NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP VICTORIES OF
LE MOYNE COLLEGE AND SYRACUSE
UNIVERSITY

HON. JAMES T. WALSH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of two NCAA national championship athletic programs from Syracuse, NY. This past weekend, both the Syracuse University and Lemoyne